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PORCUPINE POULTRY AND PET STOCK ASSOCIATION

Largely Attended and Enthusiastic Meeting Gets New Association Away to a Good Start.

The poultry and pet stock fanciers of the Porcupine district had a meeting in the Prince of Wales Hotel this week and organized an association for the general benefit and advancement of those interested in the raising of poultry and pet stock. The new association will be known as the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Association, and judging from the enthusiastic way in which organization was taken up and perfected, and the type of officers elected to conduct the new association, the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Association promises well for success and helpfulness. The meeting was noteworthy for the large and representative attendance. There were poultry fanciers present from practically every centre in the district, Timmins, South Porcupine, Connaught, Hoyle, Porquis Junction and other points being well represented. Great interest was evidenced by all present. After a general discussion of matters of interest to poultry fanciers, organization was completed with the following officers elected:—

Honorary President—Mr. A. F. Brigham.
President—Mr. D. R. McDonald.
Vice-Pres.—Mr. Frank Little, Connaught.
Secretary—Mr. W. T. Montgomery, Timmins.
Treasurer—Mr. T. A. Skelly, Timmins.

Executive—Frank Little, Connaught; W. D. Pearce, South Porcupine; O. D. Kabel, Mr. Tompkins, H. Halton and J. A. Skelly, Timmins; and J. Richards, Porquis Junction.

It is largely through the interests and efforts of the vice-president, Mr. Frank Little that the new association came to be formed. For some time past Mr. Little has been one of the outstanding poultry fanciers in the district, his thoroughbred stock making a name for itself not only in the district but beyond. He has recognized for some time the many advantages that would accrue to poultry fanciers from a society for the exchange of ideas and for the general furtherance of the interests of poultry fanciers. Many months ago Mr. Little advocated the formation of such an association, pointing out that it would be well worth while for the impetus it would give to the keeping of thoroughbred stock alone. The president, Mr. D. R. McDonald, is a well-known poultry fancier of Timmins, and has been active and effective in promoting the formation of the Association. The other officers and executive are also well-known for their interest and success in poultry raising, and altogether the new society seems to be starting under favourable auspices.

The chief business at the meeting was the election of officers, but matters of general interest were also discussed. There will be another meeting of the Association on Sunday, Sept. 9th, at 10 a.m. in the Prince of Wales Hotel.

In the meantime membership cards have been printed and may be secured from the secretary, Mr. W. T. Montgomery, of the Hollinger Stores staff. All interested in poultry should make a point of taking out membership in the Association and co-operating to make it a success.

It is likely that the Porcupine Poultry and Pet Stock Association will hold a poultry and pet stock show this year, the event probably being held in the rink in a month or two.

SUGGEST GETTING THE MARKET GOING AGAIN

From both the producers and the consumers during the past few days suggestions have been made to The Advance to advocate the re-opening of the Timmins market. When both the producers and the public thus show a desire to have the market again this year, it would appear that it proved of advantage last year to all concerned. With more interest shown by all concerned the Timmins market could be still more useful and advantageous. There does not seem to be any reason why farmers and settlers all along the line of railway and up and down the river should not find the Timmins market a handy method of disposing of their surplus produce, while the advantage to the people in general of being able to secure fresh vegetables and produce of other kinds should be self-evident. Last year, in a large measure, the market proved of general usefulness.

CHAMPION LADY GOLFERS PLAY ON TIMMINS LINKS

Ladies of Timmins Golf Club Enjoy Visit from Toronto Expert Golfers.

Friday and Saturday last week were red-letter days in Timmins for golf enthusiasts, and especially for the lady golfers of the town and district. During the week-end a visit was paid here by Miss Ada Mackenzie, of Toronto, Canadian Champion Lady Golfer, and runner-up in the American Ladies' Open Championship, accompanied by Mrs. Murray, of Toronto, President of the Canadian Ladies Golf Association, and Mrs. Rogers and Miss Rowe, also of Toronto, and all expert golfers. On Friday morning Miss Mackenzie got acquainted with the local course by going around in 38. Friday afternoon Miss Mackenzie, Mrs. Rogers and Miss Rowe gave an exhibition for the benefit of the ladies of the Timmins Golf Club. Mrs. Rogers and Miss Rowe proved themselves to be experts at the game, while Miss Mackenzie's game was a revelation to those present. Her drives from the tee were invariably straight down the centre and nearly all reached a distance of 200 yards. Her iron shots and approaches were also dead on the pin. She went the course in 40 and 42. After the golf the visitors were entertained at tea by the Timmins ladies, a very pleasing social time being enjoyed. Mrs. Murray gave a helpful address on golf, the other visiting experts also dealing in interesting and informative way with the fine points of golf.

Saturday afternoon Miss Mackenzie played an exhibition game with Mr. J. W. Wray, holder of the Timmins Golf Club Open Championship. Miss Mackenzie won the contest, the score being 83 to 88. Miss Rowe and Mr. J. H. Bacon won from Mrs. Rogers and Mr. D. Mackie in a very interesting contest.

There was a very large attendance of ladies at the golf course both Friday and Saturday, while the gentleman golfers also evidenced their interest in the event by being present in noteworthy numbers. There is no question but that the visit of these expert lady golfers was greatly appreciated and has done much to increase interest in golf.

BIG DAY OF SPORTS HERE FOR LABOUR DAY, SEPT. 3

Event to be Under the Auspices of the Timmins Fire Brigade. Water Fight to be One of Novelties.

Commencing at 10 a.m. on Monday next, Sept. 3rd, Labour Day, the Timmins Fire Brigade is promising to put on a big day of sports, novelties and pleasure for the people of the town and district. The programme as outlined, includes:—Baseball, Football, Soft Ball, Tennis, Firemen's Races, Water Fight, Races, and other novelties, field events and sports. An unusually attractive list of prizes has been secured for the various events. The Tennis Tournament, in charge of the Timmins Club, will be a special feature of the day. Of course, the Firemen's events will also be interesting and pleasing, and keen competition is expected in these features. The public will undoubtedly enjoy the Water Fight, a new feature for sports here. Good baseball teams are being arranged for and the other sports looked after. There will be lots of races and a good time for young and old all round. Timmins Citizens' Band will be in attendance all day. As the window cards say about the event, "It will be a big half-dollar's worth and by buying a tag you will also be showing your appreciation for the Timmins Fire Department." Programmes for the day will be issued this week. More detailed reference is made elsewhere in this issue to the Tennis Tournament one of the features of the day.

It was under several handicaps, chief among these no doubt being the fact that people had not become fully acquainted with it. With the market established for a second year, and its advantages proven by the previous year, the Timmins Market for 1923 should be of special value and usefulness.

Mining Engineers From Over the World Visit Porcupine

IMPORTANT GATHERING HERE LAST WEEK-END. VISITORS MUCH IMPRESSED WITH CAMP. HEARTILY WELCOMED HERE AND ROYALLY ENTERTAINED.

On Saturday afternoon last the special train of ten cars carrying the members and guests of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers arrived at Timmins on their tour of the Northern mining fields, remaining here until Sunday afternoon. There were about 200 in the party, many ladies being included in the number, the visiting engineers in many cases being accompanied on the trip by their wives and daughters. Practically every mining camp on the continent was represented, as well as a number of delegates from other points, among the latter being a mining engineer from the Philippines, and Mr. Keizo Nishimura, a metallurgical engineer from Japan. Every State in the Union was represented by leading mining men, and there were also representatives from almost every country in the world, Britain, South Africa, South America, Mexico, France, Belgium, Australia, being among the lands whose mining industry was represented.

On arrival at Timmins the visitors were given very hearty and sincere welcome. The town was bravely decorated with flags and bunting, the U.S. flag being well in evidence in compliment to the nationality of the majority of the visitors. At the station there was a large tent erected as an information bureau office for the visitors and Chairman R. J. Ennis and his local committee had everything well arranged for the comfort and information of the guests. After the official welcome there were hosts of autos all ready to take the visitors to the mines of the district, the Hollinger, McIntyre, Dome and Vipond being particularly in demand for inspection. Other mines also came in for attention and there was a general inspection of the Camp. The visitors expressed themselves as particularly surprised and impressed with the large scale on which operations are being carried on at the Hollinger, Dome and McIntyre, and the improved modern methods in use at these big mines. The visiting engineers generally expressed themselves as more than favourably impressed with the present status of the Porcupine Camp and confident that the future for this district will be a noteworthy one.

Saturday evening at the Timmins Rink the Porcupine Mines gave a dinner in honour of the visitors, this event being followed by a dance for their enjoyment. For the events the Hollinger had installed a fine hardwood floor all over the rink, and the building was otherwise arranged and decorated for the occasion, appropriate flags forming a material part of the decorations. Nearly three hundred sat down to the choice full-course dinner, which was itself very pleasing evidence of what can be done by the right type of hospitality combined with intelligent organization and thoroughly efficient service. The guests expressed enthusiastic pleasure at the choice banquet for which in every particular the service and catering were perfect. During the dinner the guests were further pleased by the delightful music furnished by the Timmins Male Chorus and a Timmins 12-piece orchestra of noteworthy excellence. Many of the guests found it difficult to believe the twelve-piece orchestra was other than an imported musical organization until it was explained that the orchestra members were all local musicians, seven of them, including the leader, Mr. F. J. Wolno, being members of the Timmins Citizens' Band. The selections by the Timmins Male Chorus made a decided hit, each and every one. The enthusiastic applause showed the appreciation given their talented rendition of a number of pleasing selections. When announcement was made that the Chorus were all "home-brews," the applause was long and loud, and congratulations were showered on Timmins and the Porcupine for possessing so gifted a combination of musical talent. The rendition of "Killarney," Mr. J. T. Heffernan very effectively taking the solo part, made a special impression and was insistently encored. The Timmins Male Chorus excelled itself on Saturday evening, and to those who have heard this fine chorus no further praise will be necessary than that. The following is the personnel of the Timmins Male Chorus:—

Members of the Timmins Male Chorus, Aug. 25th, 1923—A. Snow, E. R. Street, W. Shewan, J. T. Heffernan, W. R. Dodge, J. K. Moore, Jas. Geils, E. Harvey, N. J. Kent, I. Lainsbury, J. H. Skelly, A. J. Downey, H. A. Rowe, H. Parnell, G. C. Vedova, R. S. Skelly, D. Oswald, F. J. Currow, J. A. Solomon, C. A. Major, J. E. Garrett, R. L. Bassett, T. A. Skelly, J. H. Tomlin, R. J. Mills, W. Tompkin, B. G. Wilson, J. T. Craig, R. Adamson, J. Cowan. Mr. R. Johnston, conductor. Mrs. J. Faithful, accompanist.

The well-balanced orchestra under the leadership of Bandmaster Wolno, provided music that delighted all. For the dance this orchestra caught a decided popularity. They were repeatedly and deservedly encored, their catchy rendition of new popular music, like "Yes, We Have No Bananas," bringing encore after encore. "Yes, we have no bananas, but we're going to have more of that fine music," was the idea of the guests at the dance. There were about 200 couples at the dance, and all had a very pleasant evening, guests from outside, and town guests alike. All agreed that the hospitality of the Mines of the Porcupine is something especially pleasing.

After the dinner brief speeches were heard from some of the distinguished visitors and from local citizens in welcome to the guests. Mr. A. F. Brigham, General Manager of the Hollinger, capably presided over this part of the programme, giving hearty welcome to all to the Porcupine, and introducing the speakers for the occasion. In a brief but pointed address Mr. R. J. Ennis, General Manager of the McIntyre, chairman of the local Committee of arrangements, welcomed the distinguished visitors and asked them to look the Camp over and see what was here. Acting Mayor J. E. Sullivan extended hearty welcome to the party on behalf of the town, emphasizing the importance of the mining industry and the great resources and possibilities of the Porcupine.

In an address, pleasingly lightened by humour, Mr. E. P. Mathewson, President of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, pointed out that Canadians were too modest. "I was born a Canadian," he said, "and I know whereof I speak." He urged the advisability of telling the world at large more about the magnitude of the opportunity in this country and to especially stress the fairness accorded to the mines in regard to mining laws. "You have the best mining laws in the world," he said. He pointed out that Canada has deposits from which nearly all the nickel in the world comes, the richest silver mines that the world has ever known, and one of the most interesting and promising gold developments of the century. Quebec asbestos mines furnish the bulk of the asbestos used on this continent, and other mines and minerals in this country are of outstanding importance. After thanking the people of the North for the wonderful reception and hospitality given, the A.I.M. & M.E. President humouredly advised all to live perfectly straight always. "It never pays to be crooked," he concluded, "just consider what has happened to the corkscrew."

Hon. Chas. McCrea, Minister of Mines for Ontario, was given a hearty reception. He expressed his great faith and optimism in the North Land and its industries. "It will be the aim of our government to give stability to the mining industry, stability in taxation and stability in administration, with a view of furthering its prosperity and with a view to attracting capital from both sides of the Atlantic for further development of the mining resources of the province," he said. "Feeling as I do, that we are at the beginning of an era of expansion in the mining industry which will surpass anything we have known in the past, it will be my aim to give such direction to the activities of my Department as will result in realizing the hopes and expectations of those who, like myself, believe that mining is to be one of the greatest industries in Ontario." Mr. McCrea briefly paid tribute to the officials in his department, and concluded a very

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BAD WRECK NEAR DANE; THREE TRAINMEN DEAD

Head-On Collision of Freights Results in Death of Engineer and Two Brakesmen on Tuesday Morning.

Tuesday morning of this week at about ten o'clock, there was a head-on collision of two freight trains on the T. & N. O. Railway at Mileage 158½, a couple of miles south of Dane. As a result of the collision Engineer Thos. Woollings and Brakesmen Kirkwood and Faulken are dead. The two brakesmen were killed instantly. One of them was jammed beneath the tender being crushed to death. The engineer, Thos. Woollings was alive when taken from the wreck but passed away later. In addition to other injuries received he was badly scalded, the boilers of the colliding engines apparently bursting at the time of the impact of the two heavy trains. The engines drove at each other with such force that one man who saw them after the wreck described them as fairly welded together. The collision occurred just at a curve and it is suggested that the engineers would not be able to see the other approaching train until within maybe twenty-five yards of each other. The engineer on the one train escaped with only a minor injury to one of his hands. The firemen on the two engines also escaped serious injury. The cause of the wreck is not yet officially announced but it appears to have been due to either confusion of orders or the lack of the necessary orders. An investigation will be held to determine the causes of the accident and to place the responsibility.

The wreck caused a dislocation of all traffic on the line. This morning, however, it is reported that the wreck is practically cleared away, and that traffic will be back to usual today. Numbers 46 and 47 yesterday could only go as far as the wreck and return. Passengers were transferred, but no mail or express came through. The Toronto mail that should have reached here Tuesday is expected to come through to-night.

Two of the three men killed are slightly known in Timmins having been in here on an occasional run. The other, Engineer Thos. Woollings, was well-known here and very highly regarded by all who knew him. His death comes as a shock to innumerable friends and acquaintances here. Sympathy sincerely goes out to the relatives and friends bereaved by the fatality.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF PROSPECTIVE H. S. PUPILS

New Principal Will be at the Office in the P.S. Building on Saturday and Monday.

Mr. J. W. Treleavan, of Lucknow, the new principal of the Timmins High School, will be at the office in the Public School building here on Saturday of this week and also on Monday, so that if any prospective pupils for the High School wish to secure any information as to classes or study they may be given the necessary information. With the opening of a new term, and especially in view of the fact that Timmins has but recently established its High School on full High School basis, prospective pupils may be in doubt as to certain details or may have questions to ask relative to studies or classes, or may wish for advice or information on other phases of school work. To provide for the convenience of the pupils in such cases, Mr. Treleavan is spending Saturday and Monday at the school office, and will be pleased to assist pupils in any way in regard to their studies, courses or plans of work. He will be pleased to meet any or all of the pupils on Tuesday.

School re-opens after the summer vacation, on Tuesday, Sept. 4th.

WEDDING LAST THURSDAY MORNING AT R. C. CHURCH

At the R. C. Church, Timmins, on Thursday morning of last week, Aug. 23rd, Mr. Joseph Carriere, of Timmins, and Miss Tessie Potre, of Maniwaki, were united in marriage. Wedding dinner was served at the home of the groom's brother, Mr. A. F. Carriere, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Carriere proving very capable host and hostess for the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Carriere have taken up residence in town. Friends here join in extending the best of good wishes.

FIREMEN DO GOOD WORK AT FIRE AT QUEEN'S HOTEL

Fire Under Headway in Basement Last Night, but Prompt Attention Saves the Situation.

An alarm of fire was turned in from Box 14 last night at 11.20. The blaze was in the basement of the Queen's Hotel, a building of light construction and three storeys high. Before discovery the fire had considerable headway, the whole basement seeming to be affected. Flames were breaking through the side of the building near the sidewalk on Balsam street. There was a very dense smoke hanging low and heavy, and this was soon all through the building. There were a large number of guests in the hotel for the evening, many of them having already retired to bed. A number of the guests made hasty exit in night attire by way of the fire escapes, others coming down the halls and stairs which were soon filled with smoke. One man, wife, strangers in town, had their five small children with them at the hotel, and the rescue of these occasioned much anxiety. Mr. W. Oke, who came out of his room in his bare feet was burned on the feet by contact with one of the registers. Soon the whole building was so densely packed with smoke as to make it practically impossible to do anything in the upper part of the building, though the firemen took the risk and made thorough search to be sure no one was left in the building. Rumors of various kinds as to someone or other still in the building were proven to be false. All were able to get out safely and in ample time even if the building had gone. The firemen, however, had no intention of letting the building go. They made a very speedy response to the alarm, being well on their way to the scene before the bell had stopped ringing. At the scene of the fire they did prompt and effective work, a number of streams soon being effectively trained on the building basement, where all the fire was located. The brigade was out in force, twenty-one regular firemen being at work at the fire. The chief trouble experienced was caused by the dense smoke. Several comments were made by the members of the big crowd gathered to the scene of the fire. These comments ran chiefly along the line of suggesting that the Council should see that the fire brigade members are all provided with suitable smoke masks for such an occasion as this. Some of the old-time firemen, like Secretary Morrison, for instance, appear to be impervious to smoke, but others were affected by the sickening smoke. With ample supply of water intelligently applied the threatening blaze was first checked and then completely extinguished, the firemen deserving full credit for a fine half-hour's excellent work.

The cause of the fire is not known. The loss will run around \$1,000.00, the basement suffering from the fire and the rest of the building, untouched by the fire, being damaged by smoke and water. Enough insurance is carried on the building to cover the loss.

The Queen's Hotel, under the new management of Mr. M. J. Moleski, has recently been establishing a high reputation for good fare and good service. The building is owned by the Chinaman formerly conducting the hotel.

An incident of the evening was the knocking from a second storey window of a large water jug by a man who had gotten upstairs and was opening windows to let out the smoke. The jug fell down on the back of Deputy Chief W. G. Smith who was directing some men engaged in dousing the fire in the basement. Had it fallen on the Deputy Chief's head, it would have been the best policy for the careless fellow at the window to stay where he was.

Another matter worthy of note is the fact that during the whole event, the electric lights throughout the building continued to give service. Although the lights were on in the rooms upstairs the dense smoke made the rooms as dark as deepest night, which is dark enough.

After the bell announced the fire all out, and the smoke had been driven from the rooms, the guests practically all returned to finish their night's rest in their rooms at the hotel.

SCHOOLS WILL RE-OPEN ON TUESDAY, SEPT. 4TH

The Timmins Public, Separate and High Schools will re-open on Tuesday of next week, Sept. 4th.